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RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 12, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2005.

Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.